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Status						
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on						
	- action is non-final.					
3) Since this application is in condition for allowan						
closed in accordance with the practice under E	x parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 45	i3 O.G. 213.				
Disposition of Claims						
4) Claim(s) <u>1-60</u> is/are pending in the application.						
4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.						
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.						
6)☐ Claim(s) is/are rejected.						
7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.						
8)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-60</u> are subject to restriction and/or e	lection requirement.					
Application Papers						
9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner	′ .					
10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.						
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Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correcti	on is required if the drawing(s) is obj	ected to. See 37 CF	FR 1.121(d).			
11)☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Ex	aminer. Note the attached Office	Action or form PT	TO-152.			
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119						
 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign a) All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents 2. Certified copies of the priority documents 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priori application from the International Bureau * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of 	s have been received. s have been received in Application ity documents have been received (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).	on No ed in this National	Stage			
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DETAILED ACTION

The Examiner has tried to contact the Applicant. However, the message has not returned by Applicant. Therefore, the Election/Restrictions will be sent out for the Applicant's election in response.

Election/Restrictions

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1-40, drawn to method and apparatus of telecommunication system in particular in an area of a smart home environment to control the devices in a central control unit, classified in class 455, subclass 414.2.
- II. Claims 41-60, drawn a device for a telecommunication handset or mobile unit, wherein the controller units are propagating a control message toward the circuit switch to communicate with other devices; for example: video or camera, classified in **class 455, and subclass 426.1**.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

Inventions Group I and Group II are related as subcombinations disclosed as usable together in a single combination. The subcombinations are distinct from

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each other if they are shown to be separately usable. In the instant case, invention Group II has separate utility such as storing the calling party number. See MPEP § 806.05(d).

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to PHUOC H. DOAN whose telephone number is 571-272-7920. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:30 AM - 6:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, LESTER G. KINCAID can be reached on 571-272-7922. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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